

IS IT A FAKE?

The Latest in the Confessions Concerning the Benwell Murder.

A Sensational Letter Declaring Birchall Innocent Published in Buffalo To-Day.

The Writer, One J. J. Litchfield, Claims to Be a Member of a Gang Organized to Rob and Murder Money Englishmen—Alleged Ramifications of the Conspiracy—Birchall Continues to Protest His Innocence—A Drunken Bootblacker Murders His Wife and Commits Suicide—The Mysterious Killing of an Aged and Wealthy Bankman at Merced Falls, Cal.—A Country Youth's Terrible Crime.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 11.—The latest in the confessions concerning the Benwell murder is published in the Evening News to-day. It purports to be from a man in Buffalo, is dated here and postmarked yesterday. The hand-writing is plainer and unlike that of Birchall. The letter is signed by J. J. Litchfield, who does not live here, and whose name does not appear in the city directory. In effect the letter says:

"I have waited to give Birchall his last chance to defend himself from the death that now awaits him for the crime of which he is innocent. I am a member of a gang organized which dealt with moneyed Englishmen who were brought out here to be robbed of their wealth, and we also had an office in Cornwall, London, England, until the arrest of Birchall. Previous to our holding our office there we held it at Festina Hills, Hill, near St. Pancras Station, London, and the first victim was Mr. Alderson, eldest son of F. C. Alderson, Rector of Holdensby, Northampton, England, and who is related to Lord Salisbury. We took him to have money with him and we watched him closely during his stay in Canada until we found he had squandered it all, and then he returned home. At this time we were working this along for years previous to Birchall's coming to this country. I acknowledge he is implicated in

THE ROBBERY OF BENWELL, and that he was at Eastwood the day of the murder and that all four of us were at the Blenheim Swamp when Benwell and Birchall came along on Feb. 17. We met them and tried to induce Birchall to swear to assist us in our business or we would kill him. None would not listen to reason when we were shown him and then got him to strip from his clothing. We then told Birchall to get out of the country and gave him what articles we had taken from Benwell. We told Birchall that we had chloroformed him and he did not know that he had been murdered."

The writer continues:

"As sure as Birchall dies not one board shall be taken off the building where he now resides. We will have Judge McMahon spotted and should we have to wreck a train to murder him, we will, and we hereby notify him that the death awaiting him and the jury will be."

The letter concludes:

"The following is the history of our past life. It would fill many pages of the darkest crimes ever known or thought of in our present day, and should Birchall be living it will make two new chapters in the history of the day, besides one underground life imprisonment."

BIRCHALL PROTESTS HIS INNOCENCE.

WICHITA, Kan., Nov. 11.—Birchall continues to protest his innocence of the murder of Benwell, and says that the mystery in which the tragedy of ensnarement will be solved when the long-expected witness to come to trial. Birchall's watch will yet be found and he volunteers the information that the murdered man was not killed where he was found.

NEWELL PICKED UP.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 11.—A few nights ago a man saying he was Benwell's son, who at one time was thought to be implicated in the murder of Benwell, applied for a night's lodging at the Hotel Leland. He had come from Michigan and was on his way to Woodstock. He left next morning for that place. It is said that possibly Pickthal may be the author of the "Colonel" letter from Jack-son, Mich.

A Horrible Murder.

MERCED, Cal., Nov. 11.—A horrible murder was committed Sunday night near Merced Falls, a small village on the Merced River, about twenty miles from this city. John L. West, 70 years of age, and worth half a million dollars, was found dead in his house. West lived at his ranch near Merced Falls with his wife, a young girl of 20, to whom he had been married two years. He had two houses, one occupied in his ranches, of whom there were usually a dozen, and the other in which he lived alone. He was shot in the head, about 200 yards from the other, up a small hill. It was West's practice to retire early and Sunday was no exception. He would write a letter to his wife, who goes in San Francisco some time. He was not seen again until yesterday morning. The only sign of life was a blood stain on the head of the stairway leading to the wine cellar. It is conjectured that after going home he had a fit of delirium and was unable to write a letter to his wife, as unfinished pages were found on his desk. It is supposed that the murderer, who is still at large, had planned his crime, as he had been out to the room where West was, entered into the room with him, West, who was a very sociable old man, did not invite the man to go to the wine cellar with him, as this was his rule with all visitors. It is supposed that as the man came up the stairs he saw the dead body of West, stooped down, closed the cellar door when the other man struck him two murderous blows on the head with a hatpin. The man then fled down the stairs, the cellar door catching and holding his foot. The Coroner's jury is still at work to determine the identity of the murderer. It is yet known. It is thought robbery could not have been the motive for the crime, as no valuables in the house or on the body were disturbed.

A Terrible Crime.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Nov. 11.—Particulars of a dastardly outrage have just come to light. On Saturday evening, Nov. 1, Wm. Rice, the 30-year-old son of a prominent family in Callaway County, drove with Miss Abbie Yount, aged 16, to Mount Pleasant, in Boone County, to visit his mother. On the way he kenned a lonely road and when they were in the woods he made improper suggestions to her. She would not listen to him and he dragged her from the buggy and after a desperate struggle overcame her. He drove her home and told her that she had been raped and she would kill him, and he kept silent for a week, but his own conscience awoke him and he told his mother. The uncle of Miss Yount heard of this and went to the master up by a marriage, but the Younts declined and swore out a warrant for the arrest of Rice, who was then in the city. A reward of \$100 for him and letters of description are going all over the country. He is 30 years old, six feet three inches high and very slim.

Southern Train Robbers.

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 11.—Two Southern Express cars on the Georgia Railway were robbed in a novel manner last night. As there is no way business on the night trains the passengers sleep on cots in their cars. Some person entered the express car of the train leaving Atlanta last evening and, without knocking, snatched Smith's knapsack, secured \$100 from

was not in the through safe. The same or another robber entered the express car, cornered Rice, and took the safe without waking him. The robbers got \$100 from the safe without waking Messenger Pickles. The robber or robbers evidently knew the runs, and was provided with a gun. The express car was left in the down train express car. The trains were not stopped, the robber or robbers getting on and off at stations.

Will Be Extraded.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—Simon and Julius Kranzler, brothers, of Bromberg, Prussia, where they were engaged in the grain business, became financially embarrassed and obtained thousands of dollars from bankers upon fictitious bills of lading or grain. After getting all the money they left the country, workers that they could upon these bogus bills of lading that deserted their families, fled to England, and after some time came to America. The German Government learned that they had sailed for New York and notified the German Consul in this city. The Consul sent a telegram to the German Government, and the German Consul in this city was arrested. The two brothers were arrested on the steamer which brought them hither. After a lengthy hearing Commissioner Lyman held them in custody.

The country sent out a wire to Judge Laconius of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in London, asking him to issue a writ, saying the two brothers must be returned to the German Government.

Disappeared With the Money.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Nov. 11.—Henry Riesberger of Osage County promised to marry Annie Schmitz of the same neighborhood. The girl's parents furnished him \$250 for the purchase of household furniture and he came here yesterday ostensibly to procure the same and his mother, he is said, is in the country. He left during the night for St. Louis. Instructions have been forwarded to arrest him.

Will Murder and Suicide.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Nov. 11.—Augustine Oliver, a bookseller in the Baldwin Hotel, was found in a drunken condition last night and found his wife in the room with another woman. He reproached her for associating with bad women and then went down stairs. His wife shortly after heard two shots and rushed down stairs to see what was the matter. She found her husband lying on the floor in his back, and as she entered the room he shot her through the neck. He then cut his throat with a razor. Both will probably die.

Crime in Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 11.—Thugs and highwaymen have been making it dangerous to be out at night. They held up John Peterson, a sailor, and Albert Herman, a teamster, last night, but Herman's cries brought the police, and three robbers were captured. Both men have been struck of the highway. Peterson has been struck of the highway, and in this city in the past three weeks, and several of the victims are still in bed recovering from their wounds.

Engineer and Conductor Arrested.

SCRANTON, Pa., Nov. 11.—William Smith, the engineer, and Thomas Kerns, the conductor, who were responsible for the terrible wreck on the New York, Ontario & Western road on Wednesday last were arrested and arraigned in this city yesterday on a charge of negligence in causing the accident. Both will be held for trial.

PLAIN & FANCY SINGLE BLANKETS.

Scruggs, Vandervoort & Barney

DRY GOODS CO.

The quality of articles named here can be depended upon, and we guarantee the prices the lowest for equal qualities.

We offer

Excellent White Wool Blankets, slightly soiled, at \$3 pair; worth \$3.75.

Extra large and heavy

White Wool Blankets at \$3.50, has no equal at \$4.

The best White Blanket in the city at \$3.00; good quality and large size; value \$6.

In Scarlet All-Wool Blankets, THE ONE AT \$2.95 PAIR is a very close cut.

11-4 size of same quality, \$3.87. 11-4 Scarlet All-Wool Blankets, honest Western goods, at \$4.95 pair—\$6.00 value.

Good and heavy Gray Wool Blankets, thoroughly scoured, at \$2.50 and \$2.75, are very cheap.

IN HORSE BLANKETS will show an excellent staple blanket at 50¢; can be reversed. A good Street Blanket at \$1.50.

200 Furniture Robe Comforts, full size, at \$1.45.

Handsome Sateen Comfort, reverse side Turkey red, filled with best white cotton, at \$2.00 each.

36 beautiful Down Quilts, figured sixteen on both sides, at \$5.50 each; were sold at \$7.50.

A lot of China Silk and Satin Down Quilts at \$2.50 and \$3.00; some were sold as high as \$4.00.

A large variety of PLAIN & FANCY SINGLE BLANKETS intended for Gentlemen's Dressing Gowns and Ladies' Wrappers, from \$2.87 to \$15.00 each.

PLENTY OF WORK.

WHAT THE NOVEMBER GRAND-JURY WILL HAVE TO DO.

Many Important Investigations to Be Conducted During the Present Term—Judge Normals Delivers an Unexpectedly Strong Charge—Loss of the Indictments Nullified by the Last Grand-Jury.

The members of the November Grand-Jury met in the rooms at the Four Courts promptly at 10 o'clock this morning and commenced the work of examining the witnesses in the actions docketed for hearing to-day. Little was done yesterday afternoon. It was almost a stock-holding. Judge Normals insisted upon the jury ascertaining by what manner, means and influence Dick Lancaster took his seat with the October Grand-Jury. It was a full day's work, but the special work will be taken up before next week. Judge Normals' charge is full, substantiating the charge of the grand jury, and was read in full by the Post-Dispatch of Nov. 9, was given as follows:

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THE ILLINOIS SENATORSHIP.

A New Candidate in the Field—Over-crowded Soldiers' Home.
JOHN L. BROWN, of the 11th congressional district of this county, President of the Illinois State Farmers' Alliance, is to be put forward for election to the United States Senate this winter. As the election is to be held in January, he must hold the balance of power his election is considered possible.

Opposition against Palmer.
MARSHALL, Ill., Nov. 11.—H. E. Taubeneck, newly-elected Representative of the 5th, M. A., from the Forty-fifth district, yesterday called a meeting of the opposition to Palmer's candidacy for the Senate, by stating that he should stand by the resolution adopted at the previous meeting of the Illinois Hill. That resolution instructed House representatives to vote neither for Farwell or Palmer, but to vote for an independent candidate.

Political Possibilities.
CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 11.—There is a possibility that Ewing (Dem.) has been elected in the 11th congressional district. The returns from that county count two wards gave him a gain of 222 votes over the published returns. Abner Taylor, the present delegate, was said last Wednesday to have been elected.

CANON'S MINORITY.
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Nov. 11.—The official election returns released by the following results in Congressional districts: Seventeenth, Rep., 12,946; Bios., Dem., 10,374. Ninth, Rep., 14,127; Bios., Dem., 10,354. Fifteenth, Rep., 15,934; Bios., Dem., 10,304. McLean, Rep., 14,480. Twentieth, Wm. D., Dem., 15,494. McClellan, Rep., 15,151. Thirteenth—Springfield, Dem., 15,051; Bios., Dem., 15,494. Fifteenth, Bios., Dem., 16,049; Bios., Dem., 15,494. Eighteenth, Forman, Dem., 15,379; Lindsay, Rep., 14,629.

Colorado's Return.
CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 11.—President Palmer of the World's Fair Commission has received the following protest from Colorado societies: "Colorado is a state which has a right to be represented in the Senate, and the delegation shall set apart for them a separate department in order that they may compete with the other delegations, who are either in or any wise appear in contrast with other exhibits. Their sole object is to show to the entire world what their representatives have done in the cause of the country, which one-time sive has really accomplished since he was given his freedom."

A bill has been introduced for the purpose of jumping on President Harrison for not recognizing the negro in appointing commissioners.

Mind Wrecked.

VIRGINIA, Nov. 11.—Nicholas Garrison was adjudged insane yesterday afternoon and was taken to the asylum at Jacksonville. Domestic and financial trouble wrecked his mind.

An Overcrowded Home.

QUINCY, Ill., Nov. 11.—In consequence of the crowded condition of the Illinois Soldiers and Sailors' Home the trustees yesterday voted to increase the number of men whose new members would be admitted until the accommodations were increased. There are 1,230 on the roll of the Home, of whom 925 are present.

A Notice Firm Falls.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 11.—The notice firm of Schweizer & Breer has failed, with assets at \$30,000 and liabilities at \$50,000.

LODGE NOTICES.

COMPTON HILL COUNCIL, No. 500, Royal Order of Foresters, will be held on Thursday, Nov. 13, at 9:30 A.M. to attend the funeral of Bro. Andrew P. Carothers, who died on the 11th instant. Residence of deceased, 2005 Franklin Av. Members are requested to attend.

A. F. FARMING, Regent.

ALFRED PALMER, Secretary.

GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 9, communication as Freemasons' Hall, cor. 7th and Market sts., this (Tuesday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock.

Visitors are fraternally invited. Members are especially requested to attend. P. J. C. Secretary.

1,000 TONS zinc ore exported to Europe this week from the great Joplin district. We have mines in the country, and can supply you from 50 to 500 per cent within a year. Write us for prices, terms, maps, etc. Charles Matt & Co., Joplin, Mo.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALES.

Clerks and Salesmen.

WANTED—Situation by young man in grocery or dry goods store; has no experience; willing to work. Address 222 Dickson St.

WANTED—A shipping clerk, salesman in collector in retail dry goods house; young man of experience; best city reference or bond. Address M. S. this office.

WANTED.

A position; thoroughly conversant with detailed office work and capable of managing business. Seven years with last employer, who will furnish unquestionable references. Address 829, this office.

Ties.

WANTED—Experienced boy wishes situation as bartender. Address O. 34, this office.

The Trades.

WANTED—Desire work for three or four hours a day at almost anything; am a machinist by trade. Address E. 24, this office.

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Young man wants to learn some business; is willing to take small wages to start. Address E. 25, this office.

WANTED—An elderly German and wife (without children) are seeking a home. The man is a good plain gardener both for vegetables and flowers, and good manager of stock; the wife is a good housekeeper. They are desirous of honest and industrious and have served me for many years. D. M. Swart, 914 Locust St., 42.

O. J. H. RUMMEL, black-nurse, for all contagious diseases. 2212 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. 43.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

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HAYWARD'S
Business and Shippers' Cabinet, 618 and 620 Olive St., Day and night; all branches Wright.

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Isles.

WANTED—A colored boy in barber shop. Address 2621 Olive St.

WANTED—Two smart boys for dining-room work. Address F. 25, this office.

WANTED—Boy for general work in office; salary \$3. Address F. 25, this office.

WANTED—A boy to tend horses and cow; must be strong. Address 1014 Chestnut St.

WANTED—4 house painters. Apply at Fife's Buildings, Boyle Av. and Olive St. road, at 8 o'clock a.m.

WANTED—Glass finishers; experienced men, who have been accustomed to work on gas and electric fixtures; good wages; steady employment; we can use 10 good men; others need not apply. Enterprise Glass Co., 209 Franklin Av.

Book-keepers.

Bryant & Stratton

Business, Merchant, and Telegraph School, 2075 Broadway and Market St., St. Louis. The Bill now begins September 1, 1890.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

Adaborers.

WANTED—Ten men and six teams on 11th and Locust Sts. L. Kenan.

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Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Good teamster for light stage wagon. Matt Ryan, 3501 Shenandoah St.

62

WANTED—No. 1 buggy washer and harness by King.

62

WANTED—A good, sober, industrious man, one who has the care of horses and cattle.

Address 94, this office.

62

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES.

Stenographers.

WANTED—By young lady who has had experience as a stenographer. Address H. 35, this office.

45

Dressmakers and seamstresses.

WANTED—To do sewing by the day. Address 1310 St. Augs av.

45

WANTED—Seamstress would like a few more engagements in families at \$1 a day. Address S. 24, this office.

45

Housekeepers.

WANTED—By a young widow lady a position in a widower's family as housekeeper; good references given. Mrs. Mollie Shafer, 209 Locust St.

47

General housework.

WANTED—Situation as reliable housekeeper in a large family. Address 2104 N. 11th and Locust Sts.

51

WANTED—Situation by young responsible girl to do light housework. Call or address 2611 Chestnut St.

48

WANTED—By a respectable young girl, a place at a house or dining-room. Apply at 2212 Chestnut St.; call for two days.

48

STOVE REPAIRS!

For every stove or range made in the United States. Address 214, G. Brater, 216 Locust St.

48

Cooks, etc.

WANTED—By a German cook; no washing or ironing. Address 2529 Pine St.

49

WANTED—A girl to wash and do housework in small family. Address 212 Locust St.

51

WANTED—Situation by a first-class cook; Captain of boarding-house. Apply 2515 Bell St.

49

Housekeepers.

WANTED—By two young men an experienced housekeeper. Address T. 84, this office.

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General housework.

WANTED—Girl for general housework. 4051 Olive St.

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WANTED—A girl for general housework. 3763 Pine St.

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WANTED—Girl for general housework. 201 Lucas av.

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WANTED—Girl for general housework in small family. 4001 Franklin Av.

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WANTED—Good girl for general housework. Address 2022 Dickson St.

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WANTED—Good girl for general housework; no washing or ironing. Address 2131 Laclede av.

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WANTED—Good girl for general housework; no washing and ironing. Address 260 Laclede St.

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WANTED—Good girl for general housework; must be a good cook. 2514 Franklin Av.

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WANTED—Girl to assist in general housework; easy work; good wages. 2622 Pine St.

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WANTED—A good girl for general housework; must cook, wash and iron well. 2616 Laclede av.

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WANTED—A young girl for general housework; no washing; good wages. Apply 2712 Chestnut St.

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WANTED—A capable girl to do light housework in family of two. 2802 Piney Av.

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WANTED—A girl to cook, wash and iron in small family. Address 2802 Piney Av.

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WANTED—One good cook and one dishwasher. Address 2802 Olive St.

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THE CITY'S GARBAGE.

HOW TO DISPOSE OF IT PERPLEXING THE COUNCIL.

Two Ordinances and a Contract to Be Considered—Business Transacted at the Board of Public Improvements Meeting To-Day—The "Evening Call" Will Get the Printing Contract—City Hall News.

Within a very short time the Sanitary Committee of the Council will be forced into making up its mind, which it does not seem able to do without assistance. There are two garbage ordinances in the committee box, and there will be a garbage contract in for approval which is in direct conflict with the two ordinances.

Upon the defeat of the last garbage grab contract Mr. Nelson of the Council introduced an ordinance to head off the repetition of the same procedure. The ordinance was as follows:

An ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 15,719, entitled an ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Health Commissioner of the city of St. Louis to enter into a contract for the sanitary disposal of all the city's offal, garbage and other refuse matter of the city of St. Louis by the Marx process is hereby repealed.

He it is ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the city of St. Louis as follows:

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Right upon the heels of this ordinance, Mr. Nelson introduced another which provided for the sanitary disposal of the garbage of the city by any process which proves upon investigation, to be equal to the work, the letting of the contract to be made by the Board of Public Improvements in the usual form. This ordinance is drawn up with the view of giving the contract to the cheapest bidder and not force it into the hands of a single company without giving anyone else a chance. In the box with these two ordinances is another, introduced by Mr. Jones & Field, engineers, in which they state that any process which does not consume the garbage is likely to give out bad odors and are not satisfactory. This ordinance will leave a residue likely to become a nuisance.

There is no reason why either one or both of the ordinances should not be passed, and the two will be considered together.

Yesterday, in accordance with the ordinance now in existence, the Mayor received bids, or offers, for the disposal of the garbage of the city for disposal of the garbage at 2 cents per 100 pounds, to be delivered by the city at the works of the company.

The bids sent in to the Council for approval, and is an exact counterpart of the one sent in before.

In all probability the two new ordinances and the new contract will come up together for consideration. That the contract of Mr. Nelson and his company will be thrown out and another will be put in doubt, however, of the two ordinances will prove the most satisfactory to the Council is yet to be learned.

Board Meeting.

The Board of Public Improvements held a regular meeting this morning. Sup't. Capt. Carroll of the Work-house made a rather peculiar request of the board. It is the custom of the Work-house to send a weekly report of the work done by the prisoners. Mr. Carroll would like to be excused from making this report, as he has not been doing any work, but very little work done as the brush factory is closed and the quarry cannot be worked in which the request will be refused.

A number of property substitutions were approved.

A proposition concerning the purchase of land in the Tammie Woods area was received from the St. Louis Wire Co.

Capt. Dan Able, the Harbor Commissioner, was given a new contract for the week.

Capt. Dan has gone along with a number of gentlemen who figure prominently in the election. The fishing party has been made up largely of men of the prairies, and some who went hope to return with new voices and refreshed constitutions.

Capt. Able is the Harbor Commissioner, one of which is Lord High Admiral, could not be pressed into service on this occasion, and has been left behind.

Mr. Murphy was also absent, but is now at the American Island butchery at Springfield, Ill. He and City Commissioner Bell are expected to return.

Whom They Differ.

Col. Flad and Water Commissioner Holman are directly opposite ends of the pump question.

Col. Flad in his statement to the Council says: "I beg leave to state that I am fully convinced that a due regard to the city's interests and fair dealing towards all bidders and contractors both demand that the bid which is to be accepted be that of the council."

Another portion of his statement he says:

"I have carefully examined the plans submitted by Mr. Worthington and the descriptions given by him, which form a part of his bid, and I consider the objections raised to be of trifling importance. The bid which was raised by Mr. Holman appears altogether frivolous; all of them are fully cov- ered, and the provisions of sections 7, 11, and 14 of the specifications, which are quoted in full by Mr. McLachlan, no changes of plan are required except such as are now provided for these sections and sec. 9 of the contract."

These are the main points of Col. Flad's argument, which is the same that Col. Holman takes issue.

Col. Holman adds to-day:

"I don't think Col. Flad is very hearty or earnest in his statement, and I must say that he does not seem to be very much interested in the matter."

"He says all changes in plans are covered by sec. 7, 11 and 14 of the specifications. Let me tell you, Col. Flad, in the contract, a general plan is a part of the contract. Now all contractors are in equity entitled to pay for any changes they may make and that is what I am trying to avoid."

Mr. Holman will make a reply to Col. Flad's statement on next Friday.

Will Approve the Contract.

The Council has just about made up its mind that the only thing to do with the contract of the Evening Star is to approve it as it stands. The paper is to be printed at the same time every day. After due and deliberate investigation it has been positively ascertained that the bond, contract and securities are all in strict accordance with the law and that there is no reason whatever for leaving the work in the hands of the man who has it. That Charles A. Gitchell will endeavor to get the City to accept the contract there is no doubt, but the verdict of the public in his case has made it very evident that his opposition is preferable to his support. The Council, with a vote, ratifies favorably by the Committee on Ways and Means and a vote of the Council taken.

The Official Count.

The official count is still going on and will not be completed until to-morrow. Several of the precinct returns were found to be in irregular form as the judges had failed to sign their names to them, so they had to be hunted up and the signatures obtained. No discrepancies of any importance were discovered and the probabilities are that the official count will not vary much from the police returns.

TURKISH MUGS.

To Our Patrons.

We beg to announce that we have carefully examined the consignment of Oriental carpets and rugs that we have catalogued for this week's sale and can say without fear of successful contradiction that in every particular the collection surpasses any hitherto offered at private or public sale in our city. Catalogues now ready. Mairson's 113 Olive Street.

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There are some patent medicines that are more marvelous than a dozen doctors' prescriptions, but they're not those that profess to cure everything.

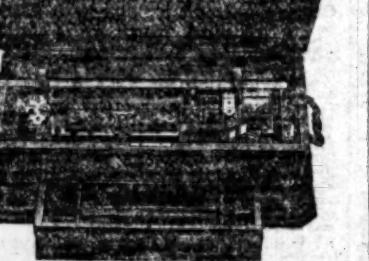
Everybody, now and then, feels "run down," "played out." They've the will, but no power to generate vitality. They're not sick enough to call a doctor, but just too sick to be well. That's where the right kind of a patent medicine comes in, and does for a dollar what the doctor wouldn't do for less than five or ten.

We put in our claim for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.

We claim it to be an unequaled remedy to purify the blood and invigorate the liver. We claim it to be lasting in its effects, creating an appetite, purifying the blood, and preventing Bilious, Typhoid and Malarial fevers if taken in time. The time to take it is when you first feel the signs of weariness and weakness. The time to take it, on general principles, is now.

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Mrs. Angelo Conrad Appears Against Walter Willard, Alias "Big Walter," in Justice Duffy's Court—The Woman's Patriotic Story—How She Was to Receive \$3,000 in Genuine Greenbacks for \$300—The Prisoner Discharged.

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CITY NEWS.

You cannot fail to be suited in the cloak department at Crawford's. The styles are there in greatest variety, and the prices are equally as varied, but in all cases below all competition. The aim at Crawford's is to give better value, in whatever grade of articles you buy, than you can get in any other house. The same motto of "fair price" means more money. Bear this in mind when you want anything, a wrap in especial. The numbers of customers who went out to-day to "look around" and then came back to buy proves the assertion.

Dr. E. C. Chase,
Corner of 6th and Olive streets. Set of teeth, \$2.

PRIVATE matters skillfully treated and medicines furnished. Dr. Dinsen, 64 Pine St.

RELEASED FROM JAIL.

His Spies Ended in Death—A Lawyer Fired
—Texas Topic.

FT. WORTH, Nov. 11.—Joseph Bovay has been released from jail by the new jailer, who has been appointed to succeed him in jail four months ago for safe keeping, the court having declared him to be insane. He recovered his right mind in a few months, but the laws of Texas provided no legal method of releasing him and the old jailer was unwilling to take the responsibility of it and so the fellow lay in jail a whole year.

DALLAS, Nov. 11.—John J. Kourts, formerly city reporter of the County Clerk's office, was found dead in bed yesterday. His wife obtained a divorce from him last April on account of his infidelity, but he came back again. The excitement of the election and the stress which he went on in consequence of his death.

The contest in this city against Bob Land for shooting have been dismissed.

Dudley G. Wootten and Henry Hobart, attorneys for the defense, argued their case in court yesterday and the latter threw an instant at Wootten, spattering the ink all over the room and spectators. He was fined \$25.

Dominick Lasi, a member of the Italian colony, was found murdered. No cause is known.

Waco, Nov. 11.—An infant son of Hon. J. H. Mabrey was kicked by a station yesterday and his skull was badly crushed in.

DENISON, Nov. 11.—The Rev. R. P. Burroughs, city editor of the *Denison News-Herald*, was struck by lightning and nearly died.

Buy Your Clothing of Our House.

Suits for \$15, \$18, \$20 and overcoats for \$15, \$18 and \$20. Unparalleled in fit and finish by any of our competitors. This clothing is all OUR OWN MAKE. No clothing sold in our house which is not correct in every particular.

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A TEXAS WAR.

Threats of Rescuing Indicted County Officials From Jail.

GATESVILLE, Tex., Nov. 11.—Word comes from Gatesville county seat of Young County, that there is danger of a rescue attempt to rescue a number of indicted men from jail during their trial. In September, 1888, the Marlow brothers were in charge of deputy marshals when a mob took them away and hanged them. Twenty-five indictments have been found for their murder and they are against Sheriff Collier, his deputies, several constables, Ed Johnson, the deputy who had his charge, and the County Sheriff. In fact, every man in the county is now in jail awaiting trial. Eugene Lagan, Clint Rutherford and Vernon Wilkerson are now on trial, and the trial of the Marlow brothers and 250 witnesses to be examined. The people in the county are determined the men shall not be condemned and are about to get up a Court-house, with Winchester cartridges or the cords of twenty-five armed deputy marshals which surround the jail. A company of troopers from the 10th Cavalry will be on hand to prevent a mob from rescuing the prisoners.

The Merchants.

Restaurant and oyster-house, 615 and 618 Washington avenue and 619 St. Charles street. Ladies' parlor now open. Entrances, 615 St. Charles street. E. A. Koerner & Co., proprietors.

HORRIBLE, IF TRUE.

Firebugs May Have Caused the Dupont Powder Works Explosion.

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 11.—It is now believed by many that the terrible explosion of the extensive Dupont Powder Works near this city, on Oct. 7 last, which resulted in the death of ten workmen, an old lady and a child and the injury of a number of others, may have been the work of a gang of firebugs, who are secretly organized to do harm to the Dupont family. The bursting of the large barn belonging to Wm. Dupont, near Rockland, on Saturday night, was no doubt the work of firebugs. The employees who were discharged at the death of Gen. Henry Dupont at Dupont, after several attempts were made last spring and summer to burn down the powder works. It is expected a reward of \$5,000 will be offered and that detectives will be put on the case.

Free—Given Away.

Five Smoking Sets, consisting of cigar and cigarette holders, pipe and matchbox, put up in pretty case with suit or overcoat at \$15, a saving of \$3.50 to \$5 guaranteed beside.

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ENDED IN A DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

The Love Affair of Robert Shurte and Ida Snyder.

LA PORTE, Ind., Nov. 11.—Robert Shurte, aged 18, shot and killed Miss Ida Snyder, aged 17, yesterday afternoon, then killed himself. Shurte had objected to her driving with another young man, and she, angered by his assumed authority over her, refused to receive him any more. Yesterday she saw him driving with his sister and, so angry, drove away, leaving the two together. He did not return home and his parents drove out the road to see if they could find him. They found him dead in his room. Shurte had a bullet hole in her head and their son with three wounds in his head. He lived for a few hours, but he was unconscious.

The Fatal Murder Trial.

CRAWFORDSBURG, Ind., Nov. 11.—Dr. James and Hodges, professors of clinics and obstetrics in the Indiana Medical College, were the only witnesses examined for the defense in the Pettit trial yesterday. Both testified that there should have been congeion of brain after death, and certainly should in Pettit's case. The defense called a convulsion and strychnine should have been found in the brain and spinal cord.

WHERE the hair is thin and gray PARKER'S HAIR BALM restores the growth and color.

PARKER'S GINGER TONIC the best courage.

Jay Cooke & Co.'s Last Dividend.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 11.—On Monday the final dividend, 16 per cent, will be paid the creditors of Jay Cooke & Co. The failure of this house in 1873 caused the financial panic of that year. The firm's liabilities were then \$11,000,000 and there were 8,300 creditors. The estate will have paid, including the final dividend, \$1,000,000, and will still have \$1,000,000 of liabilities. The liabilities were reduced by compromises and other means, or \$900,000.

WILL DOWN DEMPSEY.

FITZSIMMONS MORE THAN A MATCH FOR THE NONPAREIL

Pat Shady and Pat Duffy Say—Smith and Godfrey To-Night—Maj. Thomas' Retirement From the Turf—Lathan's Future—The Bantams Fighters—Hockey, Base Ball and General Sporting News.

ITHE much talked about and much looked for match between Jack Dempsey and Bob Fitzsimmons seems about to be made at last, says Macon. It is to take place before the Olympic Club, in New Orleans, Jan. 14, for a purse of \$12,000, of which

\$2,000 is to go to the loser. In other words, the whipped man will get twice as much money as John E. Heenan and Tom Sayers had up for stake money when they battled for the championship of the world. As far as evidence goes, with the exception of the knowledge of sporting men think of the affair, I will say that I met Pat Shady and Pat Duffy, the latter of New Orleans, in the cafe of the Hoffman House on election night. We got to talking about the men, when Shady said: "I have always regarded Dempsey until now as the best man in the world of his weight, but I'm inclined to think from what I have heard of this Australian that Jack is going up against it this time, and I think I'll have a bet on Fitzsimmons when they meet."

"I think I will myself," answered Duffy. "Dempsey is a wonder, but this Australian has proved himself a good one, too."

The Australian is reported as saying that he expects to "win in sixteen rounds or less."

I can tell him now that if Dempsey fights him six rounds, I will defeat him.

He is a well known and popular man, and I know nothing about him.

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